(Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER)

members of the Assembly held yesterday, the following members have been declared elected:

Srivuths:

- 1. K. Puttaswamy.
- 2. K. P. Karumbayya.
- 3. Y. Ramakrishna.
- 4. Gajanana Pandit.
- 5. D. H. Rudrappa.
- 6. C. J. Muckannappa.

CHAIR'S RULING Re: DEPUTY SPEAKER'S AUTHORITY TO PRESIDE OVER MEETINGS.

Yesterday, Hon'ble Member Sri Srinivasa Shetty raised a somewhat unusual point that in the absence of a written delegation from the Speaker under rule 11 of our Rules of Procedure, the Deputy Speaker had no authority to preside over the Assembly. It is surprising that after having referred to the provisions of sub-section (2) of Article 180 of the Constitution, he should still have raised this point. If he had read the provisions of this article, as well as the rule carefully, he would have noticed the patent and obvious distinction between the two. While the rule refers to delegation, the article refers to the authority possessed by the Deputy Speaker in his own right. Under the article, when the Speaker is absent, the Constitution vests the authority in the Deputy Speaker to act as Speaker. This power he does not derive by virtue of any delegation from the Speaker, but in his own right as Deputy Speaker under sub-section (2) of article 180 which directly confers the power on the Deputy Speaker. Hon'ble Member Sri Narasimhan who supported the Hon'ble Member Sri Srinivasa Shetty stated that absence referred to in this sub-section, was absence for a few hours or a few days, but absence during the time when the Speaker was within India. This is reading into the sub-section for more than is contained in it and there is no substance whatsoever in his argument. Rule 11 which relates to delegation must obviously refer to something other than what is contained in the article. It is not necessary for the present purpose to examine that rule since as I observed earlier, I derive power directly from the Constitution and not by virtue of any delegation.

STATISTICAL STATEMENT OF QUESTIONS SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS ETC.

Mr. Deputy Speaker.—I shall now read out the Statistical Statement of Questions, Resolutions, Half-an-Hour Discussions, Adjournment Motions, etc., for the Budget Session, 1961 as on 27th April, 1961,

Starred Questions

Number of Questions tabled. ... 706 Number of questions admit-

ted & sent to Government. ... 662

Number of replies due from			
Govt. as on 26-4-1961.	•••		622
Number of questions with-			24
drawn. Number of replies received	•••		Δŧ
from Government (upto			
6 P.M. on 26-4-1961).			493
Number of questions answered.			482
Number of replies still due			
from Govt. as on 26-4-1961.	•••		129
Unstarred (Questions		
Number of questions tabled.			128
Number of questions admit-			
ted & sent to Government.	•••	• • •	112
Number of replies received upto			
6 P.M. on 26-4-1961.	• • •	• • •	93
Number of replies laid on the Table of the House.			64
Number of replies still due from	•••	• • • •	04
Government.			19
Short Notice	Questions		
Number of questions tabled.	•••		32
Number of questions admitted.	• • •	• • • •	6
Number of questions answered.	•••		. 4
Half an Hour	Discussion		
Number given notice of.	•••		11
Number admitted. Number disposed of.	• • •		9 1
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Motions Und	er Rule 59		
Number given notice of.	• • •		2
Number admitted.		• • • •	Nil
Adjournmen	t Motions		
Number given notice of.			3
Number admitted.			Nil
Non-Official I	Resolutions		
Number given notice of.	• • • •		194
Number admitted.			190
Number discussed & negatived.	• • •		1
			(carried over
	*		from the pre-
	5.5.19		vious Session)
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Number moved & withdrawn. Number moved & discussion of	•••	***	1
which is incomplete.			1
Number adjourned	•••	•••	1
Motions Unde	r Rule 146	3	
Number given notice of.	• • •		4
Number admitted.	c	***	Nil
Calling Attention Noti	ces Under	Rule 63	
Number given notice of			2
Number admitted.			2

9-30 A.M.

Number disposed of.

MEMBER'S REPRESENTATION.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA.—You please take action to amend rule 11.

- ಶ್ರೀ ಬ. ಎಲ್. ನಾರಾಯಣಸ್ವಾಮ.—ಸ್ಥಾಮಿ, ಎರಡು ತಿಂಗಳ ಕಾಲವಾದರೂ ಅನೇಕ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಉತ್ತರ ದೊರೆತಿಲ್ಲ. ತಾವು ಈಗ ತಾನೆ ಹೇಳಿದ ಪ್ರಕಾರ 150 ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳಿಗೆ ನರ್ಕಾರ ದಿಂದ ಉತ್ತರಗಳು ತಲುಪಿಲ್ಲ. ಇವಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರಣವೇನು ! ಎರಡು ತಿಂಗಳ ಕಾಲ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಕುಳಿತು, ಅತಿ ಮುಖ್ಯವಾದ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಬಹುಶಃ ನರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಒದಗಿನುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಕಷ್ಟ ಬರಬಹುದು ಎಂದು ಕಾಣುತ್ತದೆ. ಅಂದ ಮಾತ್ರಕ್ಕೆ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪರಿಶೀಲನುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ನಮಗೆ ಅವಕಾಶ ಬೇಡವೇ ! ಇದರಿಂದ ನಿಜವಾಗಿಯೂ ನದನ್ಯರ ಹಕ್ಕಿಗೆ ಲೋಪ ಬಂದಿದೆ. ಇದನ್ನು ತೀರ್ವವಾಗಿ ಗಮನಿಸಿ ಇಂಥ ಲೋಪಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶವಿಲ್ಲದಂತೆ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಸೂಚಿನುತ್ತೇನೆ.
- ಶ್ರೀ ನಿ. ಕೆ. ರಾಜಯ್ಯಶೆಟ್ಟಿ.—ಹನ್ನೊಂದು ಅರ್ಧ ಗಂಟೆ ಚರ್ಚೆಗೆ ನೂಚನೆಗಳು ಬಂದಿದ್ದು ಅದರಲ್ಲ ಒಂಬತ್ತಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶ ಕೊಟ್ಟು ಒಂದು ಮಾತ್ರ ಚರ್ಚೆಯಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದಿರಿ. ಉಳಿದುವನ್ನು ಚರ್ಚೆ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ತಯಾರಿರಲಲ್ಲವೇ ?

ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ನರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಏನೂ ನಂಬಂಧವಿಲ್ಲ.

- Sri C. M. ARUMUGHAM.—Sri Narasimhan myself and have given a short notice question regarding the formation of the Sanitary Board. So far we have not received any reply. We do not know if it has been admitted or not.
 - Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER .- I will look into it.
- Sri C. M. Arumugham.—You have been good enough to furnish so much information and it would not be difficult to tell us what happened to this question.
- Sri G. Venkatai Gowda.—It ceases to be a short notice question if it is to be answered next session or so.